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Four years of suffering and unsatisfaction due to the wrong choice. These were my problems after high school and the reason is that I did not go to college right away.

In 2006, I graduated from the high school with an excellent GPA. It was incredible moment when I received my diploma. My family, friends, and I were incredibly happy. On that day, I started to think seriously about my future. I wanted to find something unique to study. However, it was too late to start thinking what to study. There was no enough time and all of my teachers that I could ask were in vacation. Then, I started to search in the internet for college studies.

Afterward, I found a company called Aramco. This company is specialized in petroleum production. It is in charge of searching, exploring, and exporting the oil. This company has two programs for high school graduations. One is an educational program for students to complete their degrees in Saudi Arabia or abroad. In this program students spend four years of college studies and then become automatically employees in high positions such as supervising. The other program is a training program. In this program, students spend two years of training in some crafts and then become automatically employees in low levels because they do not have college degrees. I actually was interested in the educational program; however, I could not get into it because of my physics grade which was a little bit below 90 percent. The company requires 90 percent or more in all of the high school subjects to be accepted in the educational program. It was frustrating moment in my life when I could not even apply for the educational program. When my friends found out, they advised me to join the training program. It was not one of my interests, but because of that situation, I applied to the training program, and here my story really begins.

Later on, I had been accepted to the company. As an 18-year old, I did not view this situation from different aspects. I did not consider the status level, knowledge that I will gain, and what kind of job I will get. I was just happy because I going to have a job and have a personal income. However, when I started to attend the orientation, the suffering started.

At first, the company's advisors started to choose the student's field based on the company needs not on students' interests or talent. I was stunned when advisor said "you will be a mechanical technician". I have not thought in my life that my job will be physical. Mechanical technicians in Aramco work in preparing and fixing petroleum machines such as compressors and pumps. However, I tried to compromise myself and said "I might like it".

After few months, I started to take job skills classes. In these classes students learn how to use the mechanical tools and how to prepare machines. Event though I got high achievement certificates in most of the courses, the most difficult part was that I did not find myself in that field. This is because in the mechanical profession there are no autonomy, complexity, and connection between effort and award.

Accordingly, choosing the field major by students would facilitate their life. By working in the area that students are interested in, they will find their skills and creativity. For example, when people work in a place that they like, they will not have any work stress which would help to steams their skills. In contrast, I spent four years saying "tomorrow will be better". This is because I was not yet who am I now. Finally, I reached a point that I could not be patient anymore. I decided to quit my job and start on the path to find myself.

This experience taught me that in almost all societies attending school and receiving an education is extremely vital and necessary if one wants to achieve success and satisfaction in today's world. The importance of education cannot be neglected for any reason. Do not think that it is too late. There is no wrong time to do the right thing. I suggest to every student to think before taking the step to have a job right away after high school.